

Senate Resolution 139

By: Senator Bulloch of the 11th

A RESOLUTION

1 Declaring February 5, 2009, as Veterinary Medicine Day at the state capitol; and for other
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Georgia veterinarians use their scientific knowledge and skills for the benefit
4 of society through the protection of animal health, the relief of animal suffering, the
5 conservation of livestock resources, the promotion of public health, and the advancement of
6 medical knowledge; and

7 WHEREAS, Georgia veterinarians protect the health and welfare of animals in this state that
8 serve as a source of companionship, nutrition, and education for the people of this state; and

9 WHEREAS, Honorable Sonny Perdue, the Governor of this great state, is a veterinarian and
10 he is representative of the many veterinarians throughout Georgia that own and operate
11 businesses in both large and small communities; and

12 WHEREAS, the Georgia Veterinary Medical Association has been the voice of organized
13 veterinary medicine for more than 100 years; and

14 WHEREAS, those working in the field of veterinary medicine demonstrate great
15 compassion, understanding, and kindness for the animals in their care and their dedication
16 and commitment to the betterment of the animal world is appreciated and acknowledged.

17 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
18 commend those in the veterinary medicine field for their contributions to improve the health
19 and welfare of animals throughout the state.

20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Thursday, February 5, 2009, is recognized as Veterinary
21 Medicine Day at the state capitol and that the following distinguished members of the
22 Georgia Veterinary Medical Association are recognized by the Senate: Dean Sheila Allen of
23 the University of Georgia; Dr. Myron Downs, president-elect of the Georgia Veterinary

24 Medicine Association; Dr. Vince Obsitnik, chairperson of the Georgia Veterinary Medicine
25 Association Legislative Day; Dr. Becky Malphus of the Georgia State Board of Veterinary
26 Medicine; Ms. Clare B. Reagan, executive director of the Georgia Veterinary Medical
27 Association; and Dr. C. Carter Black III.